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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Eric Hyman on 24 May 2006 and 26 May 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A constrained multipath routing method in a Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) network, comprising the steps of;

- a) setting MPLS network conditions and traffic requirements assigned to each link;
- b) calculating the amount of assignments of each traffic requirement assigned to each link and a minimum value of each maximum link utilization α α ;
- c) calculating a traffic rate (X_{ij}^{ki}) in which the degree of network resource utilization is minimized in the minimized maximum link utilization α α using the calculated amount of assignments of each traffic requirement and which is assigned to each link; and
- d) calculating multiple paths corresponding to the input traffic requirements and traffic division ratios of the multiple paths using the calculated traffic rate and a traffic

corresponding to the traffic rate of each path satisfies a restrictive condition of maximum allowable hop count; and

e) setting a multipath which satisfies the restrictive condition of maximum allowable hop count.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable record medium for recording a program in a Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) network, the program executing the functions of;

a) setting MPLS network conditions and traffic engineering requirements assigned to each link;

b) calculating the amount of assignments of each traffic requirement assigned to each link and a minimum value of each maximum link utilization;

c) calculating a traffic rate in which resource utilization is minimized in the minimized maximum link utilization using the calculated amount of assignments of each traffic requirement and which is assigned to each link; and

d) calculating multiple paths corresponding to the input traffic requirements and traffic division ratios of the multiple paths using the calculated traffic rate and a traffic corresponding to the traffic rate of each path is calculated by applying a discrete traffic division ~~ratio~~ ratio; and

e) setting a multipath which satisfies the discrete traffic division ratio.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A constrained multipath routing method in a Multi-Protocol Label Switching (MPLS) network, comprising the steps of;


- a) setting MPLS network conditions and traffic requirements assigned to each link;
- b) calculating the amount of assignments of each traffic requirement assigned to each link and a minimum value of each maximum link utilization a \underline{g} ;
- c) calculating a traffic rate (X_{ij}^{ki}) in which the degree of network resource utilization is minimized in the minimized maximum link utilization a \underline{g} using the calculated amount of assignments of each traffic requirement and which is assigned to each link; ~~and~~
- d) calculating multiple paths corresponding to the input traffic requirements and traffic division ratios of the multiple paths using the calculated traffic rate and a traffic corresponding to the traffic rate of each path is calculated by applying a discrete traffic division ratio; and
- e) setting a multipath which satisfies the discrete traffic division ratio.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jordan Hamann whose telephone number is (571) 272-8564. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 8:30-5:30 and alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chau Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-3126. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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